Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Lewayne Douglas Lukkes' dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Lukkes devoted more than 31 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a leader in the Engineer Field, including service in Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and in Okinawa, Japan, as well as service in Springfield and Wagner, South Dakota, and training in Germany, Jamaica, and Panama; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Lukkes continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Staff Sergeant Lewayne Douglas Lukkes for more than 31 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 6, 2005, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifth Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State